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My name is Gideon Feiner. My residence is,55 Lamerchav st Ramat-Hasharon Israel. I am an Israeli citizen.

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I have more than 20 years working experience in the plastic industry, among other jobs I was Marketing Director of General Electric Plastics Europe as well as working with Equipment processors like Arburg and Sandretto.

In all, I have been involved with the field of production and marketing of plastic products for more than 20 years from almost every angle.

I have reviewed U.S. Patent No. 4,741,936 to Nohara et al. (hereafter "Nohara"). The patent relates to the bottle manufacturing technology of draw-blow molding and addresses the specific issue of creating a multi-layer laminated boule by this technique.

This manufacturing technique, as widely practiced during the 1980s and 1990s generally formed bottles with round (i.e., roughly hemispherical) bases. In order to BEST AVAILABLE COPY

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render the bottle usable, a cup-shaped stabilizing base, known in the industry as "BASE CUP" often of black plastic, was glued on to the round bottle, thereby rendering the bottle stable.

Although Nohara does not refer to the addition of a stabilizing base to render the bottle stable, it is self evident to one ordinarily skilled in the art that the bottle described by Nohara was to be used with such a base, as was already well established in the art at the time. One ordinarily skilled in the art would definitely not find any indication in Nohara that any round-bottomed bottle should be filled and sealed without addition of a stabilizing base.

I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further, that these statements with the knowledge that the making of willfully false statements and the like is punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and may jeopardize the validity of any patent issuing from this patent application

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